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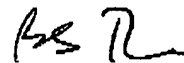
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Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 21, 2004 for three(3) month(s) from April 21, 2004 to July 21, 2004. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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